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22 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
23 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA (SAN DIEGO)

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25 WHITEWATER DRAW)
26 NATURAL RESOURCE)
27 CONSERVATION DISTRICT, *et*)
28 *al.*,)

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHNSON, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 3:16-cv-2583

**JOINT MOTION FOR AN
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR
FEDERAL DEFENDANTS
TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINT**

1 The parties have conferred and respectfully request a sixty-day extension of
2 the deadline for Federal Defendants to respond to Plaintiffs' Complaint, which
3 would make a responsive pleading due on February 27, 2017. In support of this
4 motion, the parties state the following:
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- 6 1. On October 26, 2016, Plaintiffs effected service of their Complaint upon
7 the United States Attorney for the Southern District of California, after
8 having already effected service on the Attorney General and Defendants
9 under Rule 4(i)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
10 2. Under Rule 12(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Federal
11 Defendants' response to Plaintiffs' complaint is due on December 27,
12 2016.
13 3. Given the breadth of the allegations in the Complaint and existing
14 scheduling conflicts for Federal Defendants in late December and
15 January, counsel for the Federal Defendants request additional time to
16 respond to Plaintiffs' complaint. Plaintiffs do not object to that request.
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18 Accordingly, the parties hereby agree to an extension, until February 27,
19 2017, for Federal Defendants to respond to the Complaint and request that the
20 Court enter an order granting such an extension.
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22 Respectfully submitted on this 8th day of December, 2016.
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2 (Authorized on December 8, 2017)

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Pursuant to Section 2(f)(4) of the Electronic Case Filing Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual, I hereby certify that the content of this document is acceptable to Julie Axelrod, counsel for Plaintiffs, and that I have obtained Ms. Axelrod's authorization to affix her electronic signature to this document.

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